

ACTION BY THE BOARD.

President Gallup Also Says East River Park Must Be Lighted.

He Will Offer a Resolution Providing for It To-Morrow.

No Excuse for This Breathing Place Being Kept in Darkness.

"East River Park must be lighted. There is no question about it, and the sooner it is attended to the better it will be for the city."

It was President Gallup, of the Board of Park Commissioners, who said this to an Evening World reporter who called upon him this morning.

President Gallup's colleagues, Commissioners Hutchins and Borden, have already expressed very decided views in favor of lighting this park, and now that the President himself has come out so strongly, there is no doubt that the board will soon be unanimously in favor of it.

"I think this Evening World deserves a great deal of credit for bringing this matter to the attention of the public," continued President Gallup, "for if there has been any failure on the part of the city to keep the parks properly lighted it ought to be known."

"I want every park to be lighted and kept open in the evening, especially those which are used by the poor people as popular resorts, and I have learned that East River Park is one of these."

"The Park Commissioners have no power to light the park themselves, but they can request the Gas Commission to attend to the matter by formally calling their attention to it, and this I propose to do at the very earliest opportunity."

There will be a meeting of the Board to-morrow, and will make a personal matter of this and bring it up in the form of a resolution."

President Gallup then called for his stenographer and dictated the following in the presence of the reporter:

"Resolved, That the Gas Commission be requested to provide East River Park with proper lighting, and that the Superintendent of Parks be instructed to select suitable places for lamps and, report the same this afternoon."

"I will offer this resolution in the Board meeting to-morrow," continued Commissioner Gallup, "and the notification will be sent at once to the Gas Commission."

"I was very much pleased with the way this Evening World worked to get the lighting of this park started. It was out of town at the time, but I read all about it in the papers and made a note of the matter, intending to push it forward myself when I returned to the city."

"I got back a week ago Saturday, and very day when the park was lighted up and reopened in the evening, so there was nothing left for me to do."

"In regard to this matter, I do not think there will be any difficulty in inducing the Gas Commission to furnish the necessary lighting, and I suppose they will put in electric lights, for I do not believe in putting gas mains in the parks, as they are injurious to the health and shrivel the lungs."

At the office of the Gas Commission it was learned that there would probably be a meeting of the Board some time during the latter part of the week to consider the matter of awarding the contracts for the remaining street lamps."

If the notice of the Park Department is received in time it will be acted upon at that meeting.

Supt. McCormick, however, is afraid that there may be some difficulty in putting in electric lights, because of the smallness of the appropriation for the present year.

"There will be a deficit," he said, "if we only light the park which were running last year, and if we put lamps in East River Park we will have to cut out some in other parts of the city."

As the Board has already shown, the erection of two or three lamps in the park will be all that is needed to tide over the present difficulty, and the expense of maintaining these would be trifling.

What has been most complained of is a dangerous flight of long stone steps that run from the top of the hill down to the plaza fronting on the East River.

At the present time this is entirely unlighted, the light from the trees lamps on Avenue B being entirely shut off by the dense foliage of the trees which overhang the entrance to the stairway.

As a result, it is very dangerous, especially at night, a mistake being likely to cause a serious accident, while surrounding gloom and darkness prevent retreat for tongue and hoodlum of the worst stamp.

There are one or two other places in the park where the same danger exists, by reason of the lack of sufficient illumination, and the Gas Commission should take this into account when they consider the matter.

The park is the nightly resort of thousands of poor people who live in the thickly populated districts thereabouts, and it is really the only breathing spot they have in that part of the city.

It is of the utmost importance that it should be made as safe and secure as possible, and that the Gas Commission for the public should be as good as those of any other park in the city.

If economy must be practiced, let the expenditure be made in the right direction. There are plenty of places in the city which could better be deprived of electric lights by night than East River Park.

Have the park lighted at once.

Pleased with Prompt Action.

The Editor: The Evening World's attention to the unlighted and otherwise neglected condition of East River Park in my letter of July 29 I did not anticipate such prompt and public-spirited action as this Evening World has already taken in the matter.

Always foremost in doing public good, this Evening World has been again proving itself to be in this matter what it has been for years in the other, a good friend and a champion of the people. Very truly,
110 East Eighth Street,
J. M. GILBERT.

PLEA FOR THE SHIP CANAL.

The Comptroller Urges Congress to Make an Appropriation.

Comptroller Myers to-day wrote to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors of the House of Representatives urging the necessary for the continuation of work on the Harlem Ship Canal.

The item in the appropriation bill this year for this work was \$500,000, but it has been cut out, and the Comptroller's letter is a request for the restoration of the bill. He writes: "The Government is indebted to the Government of the city of New York for the loan of \$1,000,000 for the purpose of constructing the Harlem Ship Canal."

BREEZES GIVE US NEW LIFE.

New York's Blessed Relief from the Torrid Heat.

It Will Grow Cooler To-Day and To-Night, Say the Weather Experts.

It was not enough early this morning to make the average Gothamite groan, when he remembered the predictions made by Sergt. Jeannotsky, and saw the mercury climbing up the tube as soon as Old Sol had risen above the housetops and begun to get in his work in earnest.

In anticipation of the hottest day of the season, the New York man abandoned all thoughts of boiled shirts and starched collars, and provided with a flannel shirt and an extra relay of handkerchiefs, he sallied forth prepared for the worst.

As things turned out, however, the dire prognostications failed to materialize, and before noon everybody agreed that matters might be much worse.

In fact Sergt. Jeannotsky took back water, so to speak. It was hot, there was no doubt about that; for long before noon the big thermometers at the street corners showed that the temperature was verging dangerously near the nineties.

But, unexpectedly, however, it happened, and General Humidity, who is more to be dreaded than Old Sol himself, failed to come to the scratch with his customary regularity.

Yesterday he kept up his end very successfully, and if he had done this morning he would have made things melt with a percentage of about 85.

As it was, he started off with only 70 per cent, at 8 o'clock, and by 11 his back, above the neck, had begun to sweat, and the percentage had fallen off to 74, and at latest accounts was still dropping.

Sergt. Jeannotsky explained this unexpected phenomenon as a result of yesterday's rains over an extensive area in the lake region, and not on the theory of the sudden arrival of the cold wave from the northwest.

The high barometer area out in Dakota and Minnesota has extended only very slightly, and whether it will ever reach this part of the country is very doubtful. In any event it would take a week or more for it to travel the distance.

Another factor which contributed materially to diminish the unendurable heat of yesterday was a stiff breeze from the southeast, which sprung up during the forenoon.

At 11 o'clock it was blowing from four tenths to sixteen miles an hour, and occupants of the upper part of the big downtown office buildings got the full benefit of it.

While it wasn't a particularly cool breeze, it was lively enough to give universal relief to the human body, and the citizens of Gotham were correspondingly grateful.

"The temperature will probably not get above 80 or 87 degrees to-day," said Sergt. Jeannotsky, "and the forecast I made for the next twenty-four hours is for fair weather followed by local showers and cooler air."

"There is a very fair prospect that the high percentage of humidity which has been the rule for the past week, and which has caused most of the discomfort, will go much lower than it is at present. In that case we can stand a much higher temperature without suffering."

"I think to-morrow will be cooler than to-day, especially if the fresh breeze which we are now enjoying holds out. It will continue all-day at this rate."

"The high barometer area at Atlantic States at 8 a. m. was Boston, where it was 80 degrees. New York was 79, with a jump to 81 at 11 a. m."

The high place in the United States was Moorhead, Minn., where the mercury stood at 44, with 46 at St. Paul. It was comparatively cool in Chicago and all along the lake front.

Rain was reported at Cleveland, Onondaga, Pittsburgh and Hattiesburg, with heavy fall at Atlanta, Ga., Nashville, Tenn., and New Orleans, La.

David Goldberg, aged fourteen years, of 77 Avenue C, was overcome by the heat at 77 William Street, at 9.30 a. m. Chamber Street Hospital from the effects of the heat.

John Nolan, thirty-five years old, suffered by the heat at 224 North Street, was taken to Gouverneur Hospital unconscious.

Cooler by Wednesday Morning.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—The weather outlook for the next twenty-four hours, 82 to 84 degrees, with a high of 84 and a low of 74.

Average for corresponding time last year, 73 to 80 degrees.

Big Forgeries at Camden.

Councilman Hogate's Arrest Has Caused a Sensation.

CLAMDEN, N. J., Aug. 2.—A sensation has been caused here by the arrest of Councilman Florence F. Hogate, of the Fourth Ward, on a warrant sworn out by Court Thomas G. Smith, charging him with having forged the name of Edward L. Carter to three checks and mortgages for \$1000 and the name of E. B. Boyd to one bond and mortgage for \$2,000.

Capt. Smith is one of the richest men in Camden County, and the former owner of the plant on the Delaware. He has been transacted business for Capt. Smith for some time in the past, and has been paid \$200,000.

Capt. Smith says that money given him to the bank to be used for the purchase of the securities are forgeries also. He said that he had been paid \$200,000 for the purchase of the securities, and that he had been paid \$200,000 for the purchase of the securities.

Hogate refused to give up the papers until he was taken to the court, where he was held in custody. He was taken to the court, where he was held in custody. He was taken to the court, where he was held in custody.

Hogate has been released under \$5,000 bond.

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ALBANY, Aug. 2.—The New York Central Knights of Labor employees are very indignant over reported attempts of the Company to sidestep all members of the Order.

A big meeting was held last night, at which a committee was appointed to wait on the officers in New York and request arbitration.

There is considerable fear of a strike.

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AUGUST is the duldest business month in the year, but we are determined to change its character to one of the most extreme business activity. In order to accomplish this, we shall offer for the next few weeks an unprecedented array of big values, so multitudinous that it would be futile to even attempt to enumerate them. We simply extend the invitation to call. The prices will speak for themselves.

HE WAS TOO FAT TO DROWN.

Ferdinand Schiffer's Remarkable Adventures in the Bay.

Picked Up After Floating Around an Hour and a Half.

The remarkable adventures of Ferdinand Schiffer, on route from South Beach to this city, were reported at Police Headquarters this morning.

Schiffer is a German, as indicated by his name, and very much of a German. For he speaks the scales at 200 pounds.

He made considerably during the warm weather, and to have himself as much as possible from the heat he goes to South Beach every day.

He started for home from there on the steamer Thomas Morgan at 8.30 o'clock last night, and as he could not very well sit on a camp stool, he spread himself out on the guard rail, where he lapsed into a deep sleep.

A sudden lurch of the vessel and away he went over the side into the briny deep. No one saw him go over apparently, for the Morgan did not stop.

Finding himself alone in the water, Mr. Schiffer prepared to die, as he could not swim, and he saw not the slightest chance of succor about him.

Much to his astonishment he did not sink. He had often heard that a drowning man goes down and comes to the surface of the water three times before he sinks, and he was now experiencing it.

He counted the time when he fell off the boat and went under the waves as one, but he did not go under a second time.

Then it began to dawn on him that the fat which heretofore has been the bane of his existence was now acting as a life-saver for him and he could not sink.

A great joy took possession of his large Teutonic soul, and he laughed aloud in exultant glee.

There he lay on his back, raising and falling with the action of the waves like some inanimate life-size toy, only now and then, when he felt quick to the exertion, he struck his head against the railing.

After being an hour in the water he concluded that he was good for all night, and settled himself out comfortably to sleep.

He might have enjoyed a peaceful night's rest in his cool rooming, but the lookout on the steamer, Eliza Hag, called out to him, "Look out, look out!"

He went into the saloon business at 223; Bowers five years ago, but found so much competition that he was forced to turn his back on the saloon business at that time.

In this venture he prospered, and at 10 o'clock last night he said to Police-Master Herliokshamer:

"I am very sorry, a few years more as good and I will be able to go home to the fatherland with my wife and child."

They cannot do better than to come forward and give themselves up, as the dying man's last statement clears them of any guilt in the matter.

Zachernitz was forty-nine years old. His body was removed from the hospital to his late residence this morning and will be buried Thursday.

The grief of his wife and child is pitiable to witness. When seen by an Evening World reporter they knelt by the body and wept bitterly.

They were very kind and called him all the loving names they ever used in daily intercourse.

JAILED FOR HEINOUS CRIME.

Joseph C. Dick, forty-one years old, proprietor of the Central Park bath-house, was committed without bail for examination at the Yorkville Court to-day. He is charged by Agent Wilson, of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, with having systematically deceived young girls into his bath-house for immoral purposes.

The chief witnesses against Dick were Sarah Harrison and Lizzie Bowen, two thirteen-year-old girls, daughters of respectable parents who live at 1390 Second Avenue.

The girls testified that they habitually visited Dick in his office, and it was apparent from their story that under his influence they had been led into degrading and vicious courses. They said they gave him frequent presents of money.

Dick, who lives at 100 East Seventy-ninth Street, was arrested yesterday. He made but a weak denial of the allegations against him, and was committed to the House of Detention.

Frank Doran, a boatman in Dick's employ, was arrested three weeks ago on the charge of corrupting young girls, and his trial was set down for to-day. Charles Huff, another boatman charged with similar offenses, is a fugitive from justice.

The agents of the Society believe that they have now succeeded in suppressing this school of vice, of which they have been on the track for several months past.

WHO SHOT HENRY ZSCHERNITZ.

No Clue to the Principals in the Shooting-Gallery Tragedy.

With His Last Breath the Dying Man Exonerates Them.

The shooting gallery at 2234 Bowers was closed this morning. The proprietor, Henry Zachernitz, lies dead with a bullet in his heart in his room, upstairs, while his pretty blonde-haired wife and little daughter sob out their grief by his corpse.

Zachernitz was shot about 10.30 o'clock last night, by one of two young men who went into the place to shoot at a target. Both were young and elegantly dressed.

They were the only ones in the shooting gallery except the owner. They fired many times and the smoke hung heavy in the air, so that it was hard to distinguish from the street what was going on inside.

Suddenly Louis Hetnow, who keeps an oyster-stand just outside the gallery, saw the two men rush out and dash down the Bowery. In their hurry they knocked a man down.

Then Mr. Hetnow heard his friend Zachernitz calling, "Help! help!" Hetnow went inside and saw Mr. Zachernitz reeling about, with his hand to his heart. Blood was spurting out between his fingers.

As Hetnow entered the wounded man pitched headlong to the floor. The oysterman ran out and summoned Police-Master Herliokshamer, of the Elridge street station. He called an ambulance.

While waiting for one to arrive he asked Zachernitz how he was shot. "The latter explained: 'I was loading a long 22-calibre pistol for them. They did not seem to be shooting at me. I was twice warned them to be careful. One of them, who wore light clothes, went to shoot. In swinging around he brought his muzzle to bear directly on me. 'Look out!' I shouted. Then it went off. I felt the bullet strike me, and cried: 'You've shot me!'"

"He struck me in the chest. But they are not to blame. Don't arrest them. It was an accident."

The man spoke with difficulty, and as he continued he became more and more incoherent. He was removed to the Gouverneur Hospital and there he died shortly after.

The dead man was one of the most popular business men on the Bowery. He went into the saloon business at 223; Bowers five years ago, but found so much competition that he was forced to turn his back on the saloon business at that time.

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War in the Brick Trade.

There is every likelihood that the brick manufacturers will place their threatened boycott on this city on Monday next.

At their meeting yesterday they formally declared a "brick war" against the city, and they will deliver in New York after that day unless the walking delegates of the building trades removed the boycott on the four contractors.

A member of the Board said to-day that the walking delegates would not yield, so there would be no work for the brick makers and long days of idleness for the bricklayers.

ORDER TO PAVE BROADWAY.

Only Five Days Before Pavers and Cable Men Begin Work.

Commissioner Gilroy to-day notified Contractor Crimmins to begin the work of repaving Broadway within five days. A similar notice was issued to Contractor Baird for the other side of the street.

This is a hint to the Broadway and Third Avenue Railroad Companies that they must be ready to move their cars out of the way of the paving work, as the work of paving will be going on for some time.

The maker for the conduits and rails have been ordered to go to the City Hall and get the necessary permits for the laying of the conduits and rails.

Green to prevent delay. They will be required to lay the conduits and rails as soon as they can be manufactured.

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